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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
J. Michael Ramstack et al.

Application No.: 10/681,142

Group Art Unit: 1615

Filed: October 9, 2003

Examiner: S. T. Tran

For: PREPARATION OF INJECTABLE
SUSPENSIONS HAVING IMPROVED
INJECTABILITY

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MS RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced
Patent Application:

1. Fee Transmittal;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
3. Amendment Transmittal (in duplicate);
4. Amendment After Final Action Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
5. Check No. 001727 for \$790.00 to cover the RCE filing fee; and
6. Return receipt postcard.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted
to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this

application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, under Order No. 000166.0073-US02. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740.

Dated: June 6, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2007		Complete if Known		
		Application Number	10/681,142-Conf. #6453	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	October 9, 2003	
		First Named Inventor	J. Michael Ramstack	
		Examiner Name	S. T. Tran	
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(\$)		790.00	Attorney Docket No.	000166.0073-US02

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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
						Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Fee Description							
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims		
32		- 34 =	x	=	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.							
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
6		- 6 =	x	=			
HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.							
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof		Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)		
	- 100 =	/50 =	(round up to a whole number) x	=			
4. OTHER FEE(S)							
						Fees Paid (\$)	
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)							
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1804 Request for continued examination (RCE) (see 37 ...						790.00	

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0740. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 enclosed

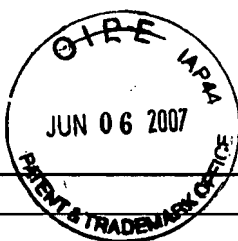
c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature		Date	June 6, 2007
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Docket No.
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	32	- 34 =	0	x 50.00	0.00
Independent Claims	6	- 6 =	0	x 200.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other fee (please specify): Request for continued examination (RCE) (see 37 CFR 1.114)					790.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					790.00

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